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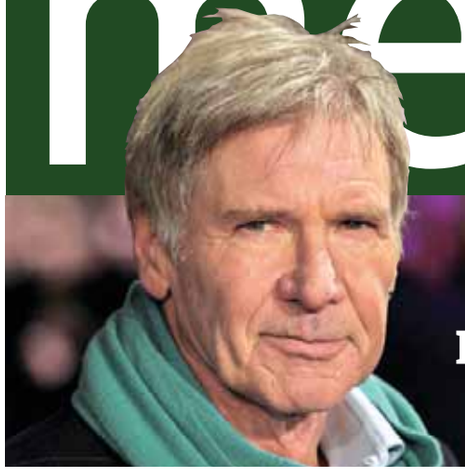

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The Vancouver Whitecaps' Kendall Waston celebrates after scoring a goal against the Colorado Rapids on Oct. 25, 2014. Waston's game-winning goal clinched the Caps a playoff berth last season. The Whitecaps' new season kicks off Saturday against Toronto FC at BC Place Stadium. Story, page 21. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Port blaze raises alarms at city hall

Safety. Four-alarm fire reinforces need for more transparency about hazardous materials moving through city: Mayor

Mayor Gregor Robertson says the fire at Port Metro Vancouver serves as warning for the city.

The four-alarm blaze on Wednesday sent a plume of toxic smoke over east Vancouver, forced residents indoors and sent 16 people to hospital.

It also reinforced the need for more disclosure about the hazardous materials that move through the city, Robertson said.

"I think it is an alert for us to ensure that we do better," he said Thursday. "There is certainly a need for more transparency. Vancouver city council has voiced concerns about hazardous materials moving through the city. We've voiced those concerns to the federal government, along with many other cities in Canada."

Robertson acknowledged hazardous materials do pass through areas of Vancouver that are becoming increasingly residential.

All the more reason for more information sharing between the city, the port's operators and its users, he said.

"Noting the disaster, we want to make sure we make some progress on that front. We want to be sure people know the risks when emergencies happen, the communications are precise, and people understand what the risk is and what they need to do next," the mayor said.

"I think the response (to the fire) was very strong. The first responders did a great job."

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City boss lauds response to 'silent emergency' fire

Waterfront. Police, firefighters, even media recognized

Vancouver city manager Penny Ballem said Thursday she was pleased with the quick coordinated response to a chemical fire that broke out on the waterfront a day earlier.

"This is what I call a silent emergency — no explosion, no shaking of the earth, but a risk to our public," she told reporters Thursday during a news conference to answer media questions.

"I would say it was a good, solid response," she said of the quick action taken by police, firefighters, the port and health officials.

She also credited the media for helping alert the public about the possible hazard of breathing the smoke from the chemical fire, which broke out about 1:40 p.m. Wednesday at Centerm container terminal in East Vancouver.

Ballem said the public was warned almost immediately about the risks of the burning trichloroisocyanuric acid contained in a shipping container, which produced a plume of smoke that was a possible eye, skin and respiratory irritant.

The acid, commonly used as a swimming pool disinfectant, was shipped from China and was waiting to be shipped by rail to Eastern Canada, said Peter Xotta, vice-president of Port Metro Vancouver.

He said about 500 containers a year containing the chemical move through Vancouver's port.

"I can assure you that all protocols in place for handling containers with this substance were followed," Xotta said. "In a matter of minutes, we knew what we were dealing with."

On Thursday, fire officials were waiting for the container to cool down so it could be opened to determine what caused the fire, said Fire Chief John McKearney, who added there were no injuries.

Fire Chief John McKearney updates the media following Wednesday's chemical fire. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO

Air quality monitoring stations in East Vancouver, Burnaby and even Port Moody recorded spikes Wednesday afternoon in the level of particulate in the air, but the effects were short-lived, said Ken Reid, superintendant of environmental monitoring for Metro Vancouver.

Some residents complained they complied with the police request but later learned they received parking tickets and had their cars towed, but Ballem said the city will forgive those tickets and fees.

A total of 16 people were treated Wednesday in hospital — 10 at St. Paul's, two at Vancouver General Hospital, three at Burnaby General and one at Lion's Gate — for complaints about breathing in smoke and having irritated eyes, but all were released, said Gavin Wilson of Vancouver Coastal Health. NEAL HALL/FOR METRO

Billionaire to oversee transit dollars

Mayor Gregor Robertson and Mayor Linda Hepner J. GAUTHIER/FOR METRO

The region's mayors have turned to the Lower Mainland's most famous billionaire in an effort to instill public confidence in its proposed transit plan.

Vancouver Mayor Gregor Robertson and Surrey Mayor Linda Hepner announced Thursday that Jim Pattison has been appointed as an independent watchdog to ensure all of the revenue generated by the mayors' proposed 0.5 per cent Congestion Improvement Tax goes towards funding its 10-year, $7.5-billion plan.

Pattison's volunteer role as head of the so-called public accountability committee is on top of annual audits planned by government to ensure the tax — the subject of this month's plebiscite on transit funding — isn't misused. Even with the provision on yearly audits, Hepner said voters have been skeptical that the tax will be devoted solely to the mayors' plan.

Pattison's role will be to change that. "(The committee) will not be reporting to the mayors' council," she said. "They will be reporting to the public. That's a significant element in terms of making sure we have public support around this."

Public confidence has been at the root of the debate over the spring plebiscite, with "No" campaigners successfully hammering on TransLink's reputation as a wasteful organization.

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Just saying no to pot ... facility

Maple Ridge. Locals worried about size, possible smell from proposed medical marijuana greenhouse

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A file photo of marijuana plants at Agrima Botanicals in Maple Ridge. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/FOR METRO

Residents of Maple Ridge are fuming over plans for a massive medical-marijuana facility in their neighbourhood.

Sylvie Jensen, who lives near the property where the 40,000-square-foot greenhouse will go up, said she and her neighbours are worried about the size and possible smell from the proposed facility.

"It just doesn't belong in this community," she told Metro. "It's in the middle of a residential neighbourhood. We have a Montessori school across the street, we have two churches and we have many residential homes."

The greenhouse, being built at 272nd Street and Bell Avenue in Whonnock, will be home to Vancouver-based company Tantalus Labs.

Dan Sutton, the company's managing director, said Health Canada hasn't yet issued a licence to grow medical marijuana in the facility but the company plans on building the greenhouse regardless of what will grow inside.

But residents, including Jensen, said a large-scale greenhouse "just doesn't fit" in the neighbourhood.

She said neighbours are also worried about possible odours, light pollution and water management, as Whonnock is located on a "vulnerable aquifer."

But Sutton said the greenhouse is designed with technology to minimize light pollution and filter odours and will operate on a separate water system from the city.

Understanding the community's concerns, however, Tantalus Labs is hosting a public forum to give residents an opportunity to give their input. The event is taking place March 23 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Whonnock Community Centre.

Mayor Nicole Read said she is pleased with the company's willingness to hear residents' concerns.

Still, she said the city is seeking greater transparency from Health Canada about the facility as well as 12 other medical-marijuana applications for Maple Ridge.

She said the greenhouse is being built on Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) designated property, where medical-marijuana facilities are a permitted use.

Due to privacy legislation, however, the city can't release details about the facilities, such as location, which results in facilities springing up on ALR property in residential neighbourhoods, Read said.

"Right now, there's a lot of concern," she said. "What we need to do as a local government is alleviate some of that concern by getting as much information as we can."

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B.C. moves to limit youths' e-cigarette exposure

Health. Province to ban e-cigarette sales to people under 19, restrict indoor use

British Columbia is becoming the latest province to regulate electronic cigarettes, with legislation designed to prevent young people from using the devices or being exposed to their vapour.

Health Minister Terry Lake introduced legislation Thursday that would ban e-cigarette sales to people under 19 and prohibit their use in indoor public spaces and workplaces.

He said the legislation, which will also ban e-cigarette smoking on school grounds and at health facilities, aims to limit children's exposure to potentially harmful e-cigarette vapours and smoking.

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"We don't know what's in those e-cigarettes."

Health Minister Terry Lake

"Our first goal is to protect B.C. young people from these products," Lake said as he introduced amendments to the Tobacco Control Act in the B.C. legislature.

E-cigarettes are battery-operated devices that do not contain tobacco but can be used to heat a liquid, creating a vapour that users inhale. No inserts containing nicotine have been approved for sale in Canada.

Their popularity has been fuelled by the belief that they do not pose the same health risks as traditional cigarettes, though concerns have been raised about the safety of e-cigarette vapour. THE CANADIAN PRESS

A man demonstrates an e-cigarette at a Chicago store in this 2014 file photo.

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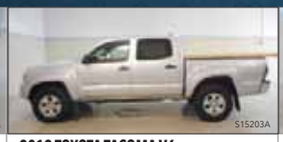

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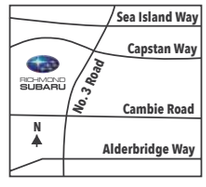

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Trial. Video shows Nuttall pleading for explosives

A British Columbia man accused of plotting to attack the provincial legislature on Canada Day pleaded with an undercover officer to give him explosives, promising that the alleged plan was coming "from his heart."

John Nuttall was captured on video in a hotel room on June 29, 2013, speaking with the officer, who he believed was a powerful man from Lebanon who had access to C-4 explosives.

Nuttall and his wife, Amanda Korody, are on trial before a jury for several terrorism-related charges. They have pleaded not guilty.

Nuttall was introduced to the Lebanese man by another undercover officer, who posed as an Arab businessman willing to help the couple.

During the lengthy hotel room conversation, Nuttall speaks erratically about his plan. At first, he says he has three bombs and doesn't answer directly when asked where he is going to place them.

"Your plan seems kind of like a dream — 'I really want to do this, I really want to do that,'" the man says, appearing frustrated.

The three leave the hotel and the man stages an argument with the Arab businessman outside, just out of earshot of Nuttall.

"I think this is just a bunch of crap," the man says. "He's wasting my time. I've come a long … way for this, and I'm not happy."

The threat prompts Nuttall to apologize for not speaking more openly, promising that he and his wife want to fight.

"This is from my heart, brother," says Nuttall. "It truly is. I was holding back because I didn't want to come off sounding like I was a lunatic, but this is how I really feel. I shouldn't have tried to be someone who I wasn't."

He then pleads with him for several kilograms of C-4, which he says he wants to load into a truck, drive it into downtown Victoria on Canada Day and set it off.

Asked what he will do if he can't get the C-4, he says he'll use gunpowder instead.

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Abbotsford

Alleged car thief snoozes and loses

A Burnaby man is facing criminal charges after police found him snoozing behind the wheel of a stolen car.

Christopher James Mitchell, 26, was found asleep in the driver's seat of a Honda Civic in the 33500-block of McCallum Place in Abbotsford last Friday, according to police.

After confirming the vehicle was stolen, police said they woke Mitchell up and arrested him.

THANDI FLETCHER/METRO

Fred Latremouille

Longtime radio host dies at age 69

Vancouver broadcaster Fred Latremouille, whose affable voice was the first thing thousands of people woke up to every morning for years, has died at 69.

Latremouille was a fixture on the city's radio scene from the 1980s to 2007 as he moved to various stations in the city.

After retiring, Latremouille spent time in Hawaii and then settled in Scottsdale, Ariz., where he died at his home after a brief illness.

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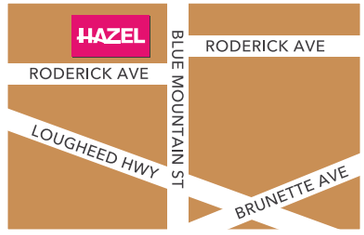

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Fighting words: Language and sexism enter into a new phase

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Equality. Feminists have long debated the issue of sexist language. But with new coinage of mansplaining and manspreading, feminists are fighting back, using words to call out men's bad behaviour.

THANDI FLETCHER
Metro in Vancouver

Putting a name to men's bad behaviour can be empowering for women, says a language and literacy education professor. ISTOCK

Annette Henry is all too familiar with "mansplaining."

A language and literacy education professor at the University of British Columbia, Henry has a PhD and was previously head of her department.

Still, she often experiences situations where men patronizingly explain things to her, under the supposed assumption that she couldn't possibly understand because she's a woman.

"Just the other day a co-worker was explaining teaching to me," Henry said, adding with a laugh: "I mean, I've been teaching for 30 years. It's amazing to me that somebody would think I need a primer on teaching."

The issue of sexist language has been hotly debated within feminist circles since the 1960s, but today women are fighting back in a new way, inventing catchy words to call out sexist behaviour that many may not even be aware of.

"Mansplaining," a portmanteau that combines the words man and explaining, can be traced back to a 2008 article in which writer Rebecca Solnit detailed an experience at a party in which a man patronizingly attempted to tell her about a new book that, unbeknownst to him, she actually had written.

Although Solnit never used the term in her piece, it soon emerged within the feminist lexicon. A plethora of other portmanteaus soon followed, from manspreading to manslamming, manterrupting and bropriating.

The terms highlight a real phenomenon women face on a daily basis, but that many people remain oblivious to, said Henry.

Henry said she doesn't believe men are being intentionally "malicious or mean" when they mansplain or manterrupt a woman.

"I think often men don't realize," she said. "Sometimes, once they're told, they do, but not always. It's hard to undo a lifetime of habits and socialization."

But Janni Aragon, a political science professor at the University of Victoria, is concerned the terms have evolved to become an "attack" on men, which can undermine their effectiveness.

"It's like the shrill feminist," she said. "Now it's, 'Oh, you're just a mansplainer.'"

She hopes the terms spark dialogue on how words are used to label both men and women. For example, when women display leadership qualities they are often labelled "bossy," Aragon said, while a man in the same position will be praised for being "hands-on."

So what does mansplaining mean for the future of feminism?

With the coinage emerging at a time when dozens of women are also breaking their silence, coming forward with claims of sexual assault by high-profile men such as Bill Cosby and Jian Ghomeshi, Henry said it could be a sign we are entering a new phase of the feminist movement.

Putting a name to bad behaviour can be empowering for women, but Henry said there's still a lot of work to do to bring about social change.

"I think it's too early to tell (if it will make a difference) because they're relatively new terms," she said.

Glossary

- **Mansplaining:** A term to describe when a man patronizingly explains something to a woman, under the supposed assumption that she couldn't possibly understand because she's a woman.
- **Manspreading:** The male habit of sitting with legs apart and taking up too much space on a bus or subway.
- **Manslamming:** When a man is unwilling to make way for a woman coming in the opposite direction on a sidewalk, and pummels into her.
- **Manterrupting:** When a man interrupts a woman while she's trying to speak.
- **Bropriating:** When a man takes credit for a woman's idea at a meeting.

The experts' take

YES

"I just love these terms," said University of British Columbia language and literacy education professor Annette Henry. "The fact that women are naming these things and, of course, we're having a good laugh over it, too — I think it's a powerful thing."

Putting a name to behaviours such as mansplaining emboldens women, said Henry.

"Men walk through the world in ways that are so different from women, and we have to work harder just to get some kind of recognition."

Being able to label sexist behaviour opens up debate about how to bring about change, she said.

"The consciousness has evolved," she said. "Women are naming things that have always been a part of our experience."

Although naming these behaviours may be a step in the right direction, Henry said women still face many inequality in many ways that won't be solved overnight.

ANNETTE HENRY
Language and literacy education professor at the University of B.C.

IS THIS A GOOD THING?

NO

"It has a time and a place," said Janni Aragon, a University of Victoria political science professor. "We often need to think about the appropriateness of language."

While she would use the terms in casual conversation with friends, Aragon said they aren't appropriate in all situations — especially the workplace.

"What happens is this becomes part of our daily language use and we forget that we need to have a modicum of maturity and professionalism in the workplace," she said.

Instead of automatically labelling men as "mansplainers" or "manslammers," she suggests using the terms as an opportunity to talk about language and the ways we interact with others.

When someone "mansplains" or speaks to her in a patronizing manner, Aragon said, she will instead comment on it or repeat it back to them.

"What I've found is that usually the person will realize that they've just done something and clarify," she said. "Or they'll apologize."

JANNI ARAGON
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Woman recalls Boston bombing horror

Roseann Sdoia saw two flashes of white light at her feet near the finish line of the Boston Marathon, looked down, and for a split second thought to herself: I'm wearing strappy sandals.

She quickly realized, no — she was looking at her foot dangling from her mangled leg.

"Someone came running over to me and told me I had to get out of there. I told them I couldn't get up. I didn't have a leg," a sobbing Sdoia testified Thursday at the trial of Dzhokhar Tsarnaev in the 2013 bombing that killed three people and wounded more than 260.

Walking across the courtroom on an artificial limb plainly visible below the hemline of her skirt, Sdoia took the stand as federal prosecutors continued trying to drive home the horror of the attack in such graphic detail that Tsarnaev's lawyers objected — and were overruled.

Sdoia, who was at the race as a spectator, said she saw wounded people all around her, including someone covered with soot, completely dazed and "walking around like a zombie."

"It was almost like I was starring in a horror movie, as everybody else was around me," she said.

Prosecutors also showed the jury a grisly photo of her shredded leg.

Tsarnaev, 21, could get the death penalty if convicted. His own lawyer admitted the former college student took part in the bombings.

But in a bid to save Tsarnaev from a death sentence, she argued that he was influenced by his older brother, Tamerlan, who was killed in a getaway attempt days after the bombing. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Harrison Ford's small plane lies where it crash-landed on Penmar Golf Course in the Venice area of Los Angeles on Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Harrison Ford stable after crash landing

Los Angeles. Nobody was hurt on golf course where plane landed

Harrison Ford crash-landed his vintage plane Thursday after losing engine power, suffering serious but not life-threatening injuries as he used his extensive piloting experience to skillfully bring down the plane on a golf course and avoid nearby homes.

It was the latest and most serious in a series of crashes and close calls for the 72-year-old action-adventure A-lister, who like his Star Wars alter-ego Han Solo has a taste for aerial thrills. He was helped by golfers who saw the plane come down about a quarter-mile short of the runway at Santa Monica Municipal Airport and taken to a hospital conscious and breathing.

Ford's publicist Ina Treciokas said in a statement that Ford had no other choice but to make an emergency landing. She said his injuries "are not life-threatening, and he is expected to make a full recovery."

Ford was about a half-mile west of the airport and flying at 3,000 feet when he told air traffic controllers that his engine failed, interim Santa Monica City Manager Elaine Polachek said in an email to city officials. Ford's plane "apparently hit a tree on the way down," and in addition to a cut forehead, Ford may have broken his leg, the email said.

The plane, a yellow 1942 Ryan Aeronautical ST3KR with stars on its wings, was upright and mostly intact after the crash. No one on the ground was hurt.

"I would say that this is an absolutely beautifully executed — what we would call a forced or emergency landing — by an unbelievably well-trained pilot," said Christian Fry of the Santa Monica Airport Association. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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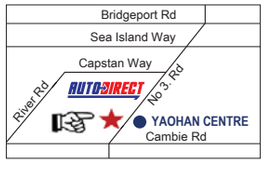

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Seal takes a stroll in Halifax

Police officers pose with a seal found walking the streets of downtown Halifax early Thursday morning. The youngster, who had been in search of food, was directed home by police, right into the harbour. Around 12:30 a.m., two officers were patrolling an area downtown when a woman flagged them down to help a harbour seal who was hissing under her car. The animal then waddled down the street. Using "gentle persuasion," police wrapped the seal in a blanket and took it back to the harbour, according to a release. COURTESY HALIFAX REGIONAL POLICE

Canada in Iraq 'for the longer term': Nicholson

Military. Decision on whether to extend combat mission against ISIL will be made in the next few weeks, foreign affairs minister says

The Harper government is laying the groundwork for what has all the appearances of an extension of Canada's combat mission against the militants of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

At the end of this week's whirlwind trip to Iraq and other allied countries, Foreign Affairs Minister Rob Nicholson dropped strong hints that an extension is in the offing when the current Canadian Forces combat mission expires on April 7. A decision will be made in the next two weeks by Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his cabinet, Nicholson said Thursday.

"We're in this for the longer term to make sure that we do what we can to help," he said in a conference call from Amman in neighbouring Jordan.

A senior defence official said Thursday that the next contingent of troops and aircrew are training for deployment to Iraq, if the government does decide to extend the mission.

"The military planners are ready to answer the government's call in whatever shape that might take," said navy Capt. Paul Forget.

Nicholson travelled to Baghdad to meet the country's leadership and moved on to northern Iraq's capital of Irbil for meetings with Kurdish leaders. He said the trip would help the government assess whether to extend its six-month military commitment to the coalition fighting ISIL militants.

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Quebec

Police probe white powder at ministers' offices

Envelopes containing white powder were found in the riding offices of the four federal cabinet ministers from Quebec on Thursday.

Analysis of the substance sent to Infrastructure Minister Denis Lebel's office in Roberval revealed it was harmless, said provincial police spokesman Richard Gagne. There was no immediate word on the substances found in the offices of Christian Paradis, Maxime Bernier and Steven Blaney.

Gagne said three people — one each from the offices of Lebel, Paradis and Bernier — were looked at by ambulance officials but that nobody "was indisposed in any way whatsoever." Lebel later confirmed the envelope at his office did contain a note, but said he did not know what was written.

"We won't be intimidated and the office will be open tomorrow (Friday)," Lebel said.

Earlier, Lebel released a statement saying provincial police had taken charge of the situation and alerted the RCMP. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Snuggie seller to pay $8M in deception case

The company behind the Snuggie, Perfect Bacon Bowl and other As Seen on TV products has agreed to pay $8 million US to settle charges that it deceived customers. The Federal Trade Commission said Thursday that Allstar Marketing Group promised customers buy-one-get-one free promotions, but some were still charged for the items in the form of high shipping and handling costs. The FTC said customers were led to believe they would be getting two $19.95 products for less than $10 each, but actually paid $35.85 when a processing and handling fee was applied. FACEBOOK

Employment. Job quality hits 25-year low: CIBC

The quality of jobs in Canada has dipped to its lowest level in a quarter-century, revealing a structural issue that could prove difficult to reverse, says a study by CIBC.

The bank said Thursday its employment quality index, which slipped 1.8 per cent last year, was down 15 per cent since the early 1990s.

The index examines the distribution of full- and part-time positions, the gap between self-employment and higher-quality jobs and whether full-time jobs were created in low-, medium- or high-paying sectors. The study found that since the late 1980s the number of part-time positions climbed much faster compared with full-time gigs.

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CRTC fines Quebec company $1.1M

The CRTC is preparing to mete out a $1.1 million fine against a company it accuses of "flagrantly" flouting Canada's anti-spam legislation. Quebec-based corporate training company Compu-Finder has 30 days to contest the CRTC's ruling. The CRTC alleges the company sent commercial emails to consumers without their consent and did not allow recipients to unsubscribe.

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VOICES

ANTIBIOTICS OR NO, JUNK IS JUNK

THE KOHLER REPORT
By Rebecca Kohler

McDonald's announced this week that over the next two years it will start using antibiotic-free chicken in its restaurants.

While I can't argue that this is a bad thing — it's not — I couldn't help but giggle as I read the article in which I learned the news. In a statement addressing the change, head of McDonald's U.S.A., Mike Andres said, "Our customers want food that they feel great about eating." Ha ha. OK. Well, in that case, why don't you start by losing the name "McDonald's"?

I fully admit that I eat at Mickey D's — I think McNuggets are *delicious* — and, like many of the rest of you, suffer crippling guilt and gas every time I eat there.

But, when I'm weighing the pros and cons of whether to go there, the antibiotic infused chicken is, like, not even something that crosses my mind. I'm thinking about the fried-food issue, the sodium issue and the amount of money the guy behind the counter is making. I think about mass production and the fact that the chicken in my McNuggets is mechanically ground, sent down a conveyor belt, blended with a concoction of other ingredients, and moulded into that familiar nugget shape.

Again, it's good that McDonald's is phasing out the use of antibiotics.

If we consume food that's been treated with the same antibiotics we might need should we suffer from an infection, our bodies get used to them and they become less effective; we become immune to the drugs. So the next time you have strep throat and your doctor prescribes antibiotics, your body won't be confused as to whether this is medicine or a McChicken.

I'm not knocking the announcement, but I'm still laughing at the idea of McDonald's ever being a place I "feel great about eating" at.

In a similar bid to keep or find "healthy-minded" customers, last month, Coca-Cola introduced a new line of beverages in the U.S. called Fairlife — what Coca-Cola calls "premium milk."

To make the dairy-based potion, regular milk is broken down into five parts and then reconstituted into a lower-sugar-higher-protein-lactose-free concoction. While I applaud that effort, has Coca-Cola forgotten that one of the No. 1 nutrition trends of today is to consume fewer processed foods? There is nothing that sounds more unhealthy to me than a Franken-milk produced by Coca-Cola.

Bahahahahaha

I'm not knocking the announcement, but I'm still laughing at the idea of McDonald's ever being a place I 'feel great about eating' at.

Then again, maybe if it were made by Organic Meadow I'd be all over it?

Is this where having an amazingly successful brand starts working against you? McDonald's will always be McDonald's. It will always be associated with junk food. We've all seen Super Size Me. We all know (and if you don't, you should) that a Southwest Crispy Chicken Salad with ranch dressing has more calories than a Big Mac: Even when you try to eat "healthy" there, you still come out needing a prescription for Lipitor.

Do they really think a mom who wants wholesome food for her children will now come barrelling through the McDonald's door, saying, "No antibiotics?! Please, a Bacon Ranch Junior Chicken and a small fry for my boy! And do you have any of that Coca-Cola milk?!"?

It's kind of sad to see these two junk-food giants scramble to keep their customers in a time where being health-conscious is the coolest fad going.

Still, I find that quote from Mike Andres insulting: "Our customers want food that they feel great about eating."

Seriously, man? You're not an organic farmer — you're McDonald's.

Fast-food chains have been making attempts lately to offer more healthy options to their customers. There are more vegetarian options, fewer trans fats and better access to nutrition guides. Executives from dozens of companies have annual meetings to discuss how to reduce salt and sugar in their food. This is all great.

But at the end of the day, fast-food restaurants also need to embrace what they are: proprietors of unhealthy food that customers flock to because we all – every once in a while — crave cheap, quick, greasy and sodium-rich food that tastes great going down, regardless of what it may do to our bodies later.

Rebecca Kohler is a standup comic, writer, actor, gymnast, lawyer and chemist. (Some of this isn't true.) Follow her on Twitter at @becca_kohler

Happy face/Sad face

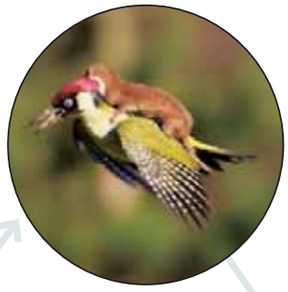
From Vulcan currency to flying weasels, Metro weighs in on the news that made headlines this week:

EID TO BECOME A SCHOOL HOLIDAY

The New York City public school system is set to observe a pair of Muslim holidays for the first time. School will close for Eid al-Adha in September, and summer school will close next year for Eid al-Fitr in 2016. They are the first Muslim holidays to be recognized by the nation's largest school system.

STOP SPOCKING YOUR FIVES

No, technically it's not illegal, but the Bank of Canada is still imploring Leonard Nimoy fans to stop "Spocking" their five-dollar bills. The trend of doodling on Wilfrid Laurier's face, to make him look like Spock, picked up momentum this week after the famous Star Trek actor passed away.



HITCHING A RIDE

It's one of the coolest nature shots we've seen in a long time. U.K. photographer Martin Le-May captured, on camera, a weasel hitching a ride on the back of a woodpecker. The incredible photo, which shows the weasel clinging to the flying bird, has gone viral.

PINK SHIRT BULLIES

Sometimes irony can be funny; not in this case. A Calgary woman says her son was swarmed, hit and pushed into an icy puddle for wearing a pink shirt to school on Pink Shirt Day — which raises awareness about bullying. The boy's mom says the school has done little to address the incident, while the school described the situation as "complex."

EASTER NOG

If you've ever wondered, "Hey, why doesn't Easter have its own beverage, like Christmas?" then wonder no longer. An Illinois dairy has teamed up with Peeps (those chick-shaped Easter marshmallows) to make Peep-flavoured milk: Chocolate Marshmallow, regular ol' Marshmallow, and something called Easter Egg Nog. Because, you know, Easter needs more sugar!

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From small things, big things come

Analysis. Countless filmmakers have used shorts as inspiration for their big-screen projects

Chappie, opening this weekend, had its beginnings as director Neill Blomkamp's short Tetra Vaal, which asked the question: What would happen if we could build a robot to police developing nations? CONTRIBUTED

The word 'short' has many meanings.

Pair it with 'pants' and it evokes memories of childhood summers. Match it with the syllables 'and sweet' and it conjures up a pleasant feeling.

But when you partner it with the word film, as in short film, you open up a world of possibilities.

Just ask Tim Burton, Paul Thomas Anderson or Sam Raimi.

Each of them started by making shorts, several of which were later expanded upon to become well known features.

Burton's Frankenweenie first saw life as a Disney short way back in 1984. The Dirk Diggler Story is the 1988 mockumentary short written and directed by Anderson that became the basis for Boogie Nights and Within the Woods was the short calling card that helped Raimi get Evil Dead made.

Short films inspired two of this weekend's big releases.

The Babadook is the feature directorial debut of Australian Jennifer Kent. The horror movie plays up the most terrifying aspect of a primal relationship — the bond between mother and child — coupled with a young boy's fear that a storybook beastie, the titular Babadook, is going to spring from the page and eat them both.

In Focus

RICHARD CROUSE

The ideas that make The Babadook so unsettling first took shape in a 10-minute short called Monster, which screened at 40 festivals worldwide.

"I had a friend who had a child that she was really having trouble connecting with," Kent told Den of Geek.

"He was little and he kept seeing this monster man everywhere. The only way she could get him to calm down was to get rid of it as if it was real.

"And then I thought, well what if it was actually real? That's how the short idea came about."

Eleven years ago District 9 director Neill Blomkamp's short Tetra Vaal asked the question: "What would happen if we could build a robot to police developing nations?"

The answer may lie in his new feature, this weekend's Chappie.

The South African-born, Vancouver-based director said Chappie is, "basically based on Tetra Vaal," with the spirit of the South African rap-rave group Die Antwoord infused in the story.

The one minute and 20-second short features Blomkamp's signature mix of gritty realism and high-tech, computer-generated images and stars the "ridiculous robot character" with wild rabbit ears — inspired by Briareos from the manga Appleseed — played by Sharlto Copley in the big-screen adaptation.

Blomkamp said he made his shorts as "a collection of work so I could get representation as a commercial director," but they soon opened a world of possibilities for him when they caught Lord of the Rings director Peter Jackson's eye.

To paraphrase Dave Edmunds, "from small things, baby, one day big things come."

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Action & Adventure

Chappie

Director. Neill Blomkamp

Stars. Hugh Jackman, Sharlto Copley

In the near future, crime is patrolled by an oppressive mechanized police force. But now, the people are fighting back. When one police droid, Chappie, is stolen and given new programming, he becomes the first robot with the ability to think and feel for himself.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 20% **Audience:** + 96%

Drama/Comedy

Focus

Director. John Requa, Glenn Ficarra

Stars. Will Smith, Rodrigo Santoro

A con artist (Will Smith) takes on an inexperienced apprentice in this crime comedy from the filmmaking duo behind Crazy Stupid Love: Glenn Ficarra and John Requa.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 55% **Audience:** 62%

Comedy

The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel

Director. John Madden

Stars. Judi Dench, Maggie Smith

Now that The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel is full with its long-term residents, co-managers Muriel Donnelly (Maggie Smith) and Sonny Kapoor (Dev Patel) have a dream of expansion, and they've found just the place: The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 73% **Audience:** + 89%

Comedy/International

After The Ball

Director. Sean Garrity

Stars. Portia Doubleday, Chris Noth

Kate's dream is to design for couturier houses. Although she is a bright new talent, Kate can't get a job. No one trusts the daughter of Lee Kassell, a retail guru who markets clothes "inspired" by the very designers Kate wants to work for. Reluctantly, Kate joins the family business where she must navigate around her duplicitous stepmother and two wicked stepsisters.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: No reviews yet **Audience:** 71%

Drama

Elephant Song

Director. Charles Binamé

Stars. Bruce Greenwood, Xavier Dolan, Catherine Keener

A doctor interviews a mental patient whose doctor vanished, despite a nurse's warning that he is being drawn into a diabolical trap.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 60% **Audience:** 50%

Drama/Comedy

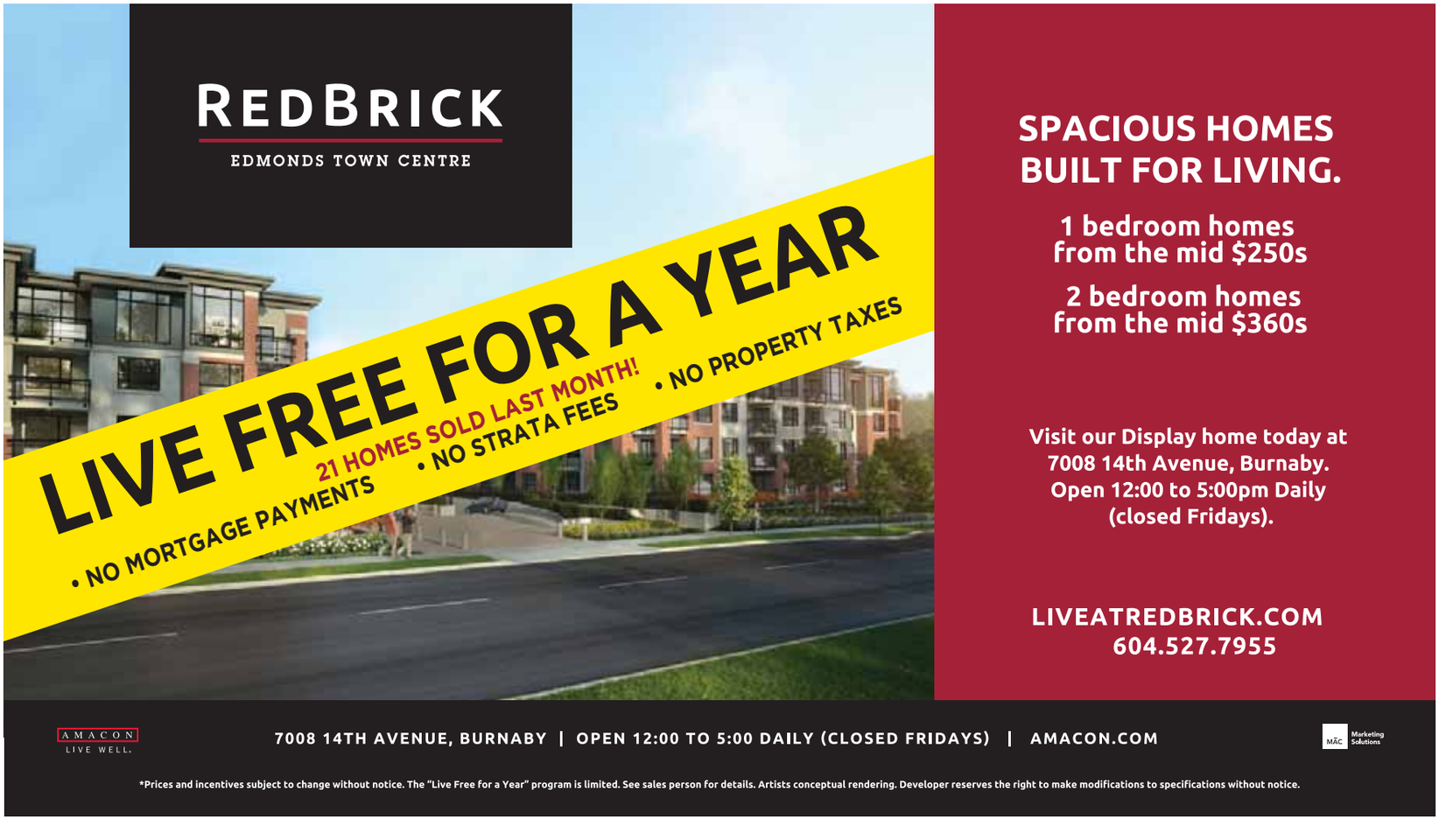
Wild Tales

Director. J.C. Chandor

Stars. Ricardo Darin, Leonardo Sbaraglia

Inequality, injustice and the demands of the world we live in cause stress and depression for many people. Some of them, however, explode. This is a movie about those people. Vulnerable in the face of a reality that shifts and suddenly turns unpredictable, the characters of Wild Tales cross the thin line that divides civilization and barbarism.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 91% **Audience:** 94%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Exposing an all-too-common crime on campus

Documentary. Filmmakers examine controversial handling of sexual assault claims in U.S. schools

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The Hunting Ground is Kirby Dick and Amy Ziering's second documentary in a row on sexual assault being ignored by institutions.

The Invisible War concerned the military; The Hunting Ground zeroes in on college campuses. They found administrations badly handling, if not outright ignoring, sexual assault charges, leaving survivors to band together to form activist groups. Together, Dick and Ziering have been responsible for several muckraking docs, including Outrage (about closeted Republican politicians) and This Film is Not Yet Rated (about the MPAA).

The Hunting Ground seems like a natural outgrowth of The Invisible War. Was that how it started?
Amy Ziering: In the course of going around campuses showing Invisible War, time and again students would come up to us and say, "This happened to me here. A lot of what you pointed out happening in Invisible War happened right here at Occidental or at Berkeley." We started getting letters that said, "I saw Invisible War. Please make a film about this." After a few months we sat down and said, "We can't not make this film."

The makers of The Hunting Ground say they were compelled to create the documentary after hearing the stories of students whose assaults had been disregarded. STILL FROM THE HUNTING GROUND

What can film do for this issue that, say, a book or an article cannot?
Kirby Dick: First of all, in these cases, you're hearing the survivors' stories. You're seeing them recount them. That's a lot different than reading about it in print. Secondly, a film can just compact everything. It can compact the analysis of a problem with the emotional experience of the survivors into one very intense package that will stay with the viewers.
AZ: I also think our culture is so ADD and fragmented — when else do you have someone's attention for 90 minutes? It's one form you can still get people to sit there and percolate on something that allows for them to have a transformative experience.

Kirby Dick CONTRIBUTED

The Hunting Ground is ultimately a hopeful film, as you show that there are survivors forming groups that reach out across the nation.
AZ: I think they felt like there was finally space in our culture to hear about these crimes, where people were not passing judgment on everyone involved with them. I think we're seeing a shift there. I was surprised by the number of people who spoke about it publicly, about what happened to them, and felt it was necessary to do.
What kind of responses have you heard from schools so far?
KB: There's been an incredible response from colleges and universities in terms of programming the film. We already have dozens of screenings scheduled around the country. And we've had dozens of more inquiries. That is a good sign. It's one reason we made the film. We felt there would be a real opportunity to show the film on campuses across the country, and have those schools see the problem, the activists and survivors to start pushing for change and the administrators to understand the nature of the problem and find ways to change it, school by school.

What can they do to change?
AZ: The schools need to improve their investigation and adjudication processes. It's not about anything these survivors could have done differently. That's a very important point. As much as we love the other work that has been done in the field so far, to some extent it still does put the blame on the people it's happening to and not the people who are doing it.

I'd love to see these crimes to be seen in line with other crimes. You don't sit there and go, "What could have been done differently by someone who's been carjacked?" Or "Gee, he really should have prevented that murder?" Bad stuff happens, and this is something that is really bad.

Tina Desai is feeling good as Marigold

Profile. Indian actress joins ensemble cast once again in The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel

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Get to know Tina Desai, currently starring in The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, and coming soon to Netflix in the Wachowskis' Sense8.

Tina Desai in The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel. CONTRIBUTED

Performance that inspired you to become an actress:
Shah Rukh Khan's performances. He's just a force in India, and of course I was one of those who was affected by his charms. I became an actor because I realized his films made such an impact on my life.

Perk of fame you're most looking forward to taking advantage of:
Free makeup! I was just offered that by my makeup artist. It doesn't get better. Oh, and when you get to travel a bit more. And you get to stay at Claridge's, which I hear is such a big deal.

First celebrity crush:
Hmm … (Indian film actor) Shah Rukh Khan.

Last book you read:
I'm still reading it. It's Elmore Leonard's Freaky Deaky. It was a gift to me from (English actor) Bill Nighy, actually, because I was reading some other books that he completely trashed and said, "You will not read this!" It was a controversial writer who he felt really strongly about.

The best person to follow on Twitter or Instagram:
Ellen DeGeneres. She's really funny. I love following her. There's also Obama, because I'm interested in politics. And now there's Narendra Modi, our prime minister, who's extremely tech-savvy.

Ideal Saturday night:
Oh, I just entered the party phase. I used to be the one who would sit at home and read a book and chat with people over the phone, but I've been given more liberty. I live with my family and I used to have a deadline of 10 o'clock but now it's 2 o'clock, so it's very exciting. I actually can go out and dance. That's probably boring, that's probably what you did when you were 16, but I've only just started.

Dream role:
Two things really excite me, though I have no idea how I'll do them. One is to do something completely fantasy-based, like a Pirates of the Caribbean or a Harry Potter or Lord of the Rings, which is something that's completely based on imagination, so you can do whatever you want. I don't know how strong my imagination is, I might completely muck it up. The other one would be to do a biopic, and then you have no freedom. You have to completely follow that person, look like them, talk like, think like them. Those are both extremely difficult, but I think they would be fun. I really think I might muck it up like hell, but I don't know and it seems challenging.

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Celebrating mulled wine

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If you blinked, you may have missed National Mulled Wine Day on March 3.

In a world happy to acknowledge the existence of everything from beer (April 7) to tequila (July 24) with their own 24 hours, the idea of giving props to a classic winter beverage makes perfect sense to me.

The great thing is mulled wine is so easy to make.

All you need to do is warm up a bottle of fuller-bodied red (or fortified) wine then add a dash or two of liqueur and a handful of spices.

While the Romans were the first to piece together the recipe, almost every European country has its own version, all of which are readily available online.

Don't spend a lot when it comes to choosing a wine. I prefer using a cheaper red from Spain, Portugal or Chile.

San Pedro's 2013 Gato Negro Cabernet Sauvignon ($8.95 - $10.99) is a well-rounded Chilean with enough guts to take the heat and still turn out tasty.

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Turn your kitchen into a cooking class

Breakfast. Replace bulky pancakes with these Thin Crepes and get the little ones involved

RICARDO COOKS
Chef Ricardo
Ricardo Magazine

School-aged children are getting a week-long recess this month, leaving parents to plan an action-packed week for the entire family.

While that usually means plenty of outdoor fun, it's wise to have indoor activities in your back pocket should Mother Nature not co-operate. Enter an at-home cooking class featuring a breakfast staple: crepes.

They're easy to make, extra-tasty — especially when doused in a homemade sauce — and a great way to get the kids in the kitchen.

Who knows: You might discover that you have a Ricardo-in-training in your midst.

Ingredients

- 1 cup (140 g) unbleached all-purpose flour
- 2 tbsp sugar
- 1 pinch salt
- 2 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups (375 ml) milk
- 1/2 tsp (2 1/2 ml) vanilla extract
- 1 tbsp (14 g) unsalted butter, melted
- Softened butter, for cooking

1. In a bowl, combine the flour, sugar and salt. Add the eggs, 1/2 cup (125 ml) of the milk and the vanilla and whisk until smooth. Gradually add the remaining milk, stirring constantly. Whisk in the melted butter.

2. Preheat a 9-inch (23 cm) non-stick skillet over medium heat. When the skillet is hot, brush it with butter.

3. For each crepe, pour about 3 tbsp of batter in the centre of the skillet. Tilt the skillet to spread the batter evenly until it covers the entire bottom of the skillet. When the edge peels off easily and begins to brown, flip the crepe with a spatula. Continue cooking for about 10 seconds and then remove from the skillet.

4. Place the cooked crepes on a plate as you go. Cover with aluminum foil to keep them from drying out and to keep them warm. Delicious with maple syrup or blueberry sauce.

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This recipe makes about 14 crepes. COURTESY RICARDOCUISINE.COM

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MLS

Whitecaps prep for season opener vs. Toronto FC

In their two previous season-opening meetings, the Vancouver Whitecaps have bested Toronto FC .

Up until late Wednesday evening, there was some doubt the third such banner clash between these two Canadian rivals, scheduled for Saturday at BC Place Stadium, was going to go ahead as planned.

The labour dispute into agreeing on a new collective bargaining agreement between Major League Soccer and its players' union, which was to carry out a strike vote Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning, looked like it might force a work stoppage and delay a start to this 20th MLS regular season.

An agreement in principle was struck on Wednesday.

Saturday's game between the Whitecaps and Toronto FC is now on.

The Vancouver side, which has worked to bring in young talent through its scouting efforts in Central and South America, faces a Toronto club that made numerous changes to its roster during the off-season, while still employing star midfielder Michael Bradley, in its bid to make the playoffs for the first time in its MLS existence.

"It was a long process," said left back Jordan Harvey, one of Vancouver's two players representatives.

"I'm happy the season's starting. I am. The deal is done and whether you're pro the proposal or against, I think everybody's satisfied with the deal we got and excited about the season to start." CAM TUCKER/METRO

Canucks goalie Eddie Lack makes a save on the Coyotes' Tye McGinn as Yannick Weber defends on Thursday in Glendale, Ariz. ROSS D. FRANKLIN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Canucks fire blanks following comeback

NHL. Coyotes waste two-goal lead but still manage to earn first win in 11 games

Shootout final

Coyotes	Canucks
3	2

Sam Gagner scored the lone goal in the shootout, helping the Arizona Coyotes snap a 10-game losing streak with a 3-2 victory over the Vancouver Canucks on Thursday night.

Mike Smith kept the Canucks off the scoreboard in the shootout after the Coyotes allowed two third-period goals to relinquish a 2-0 lead. Smith finished with 32 saves for Arizona, which hadn't won since Feb. 9 at Chicago and hadn't earned a victory at home since Jan. 8 against Winnipeg.

Tobias Rieder and B.J. Crombeen scored in regulation for the Coyotes, who have four straight wins at home over the Canucks, dating to last season.

Vancouver's Eddie Lack stopped six shots in overtime, but couldn't get to Gagner's hard forehand in the shootout. Lack had 33 saves, and Chris Higgins and Radim Vrbata had goals for the Canucks.

Vrbata's score came with 53 seconds left in regulation, forcing the overtime period. The former Coyotes right-winger was cheered during a video tribute in the first period after spending the past five seasons with Arizona. But he stung his former team with the tying goal when his shot went through traffic in front of Smith, who slowed the puck before it found its way into the net.

Coyotes captain Shane Doan had a breakaway chance, but his shot was stopped by Lack 28 seconds into overtime. Lack also saved a breakaway from Rieder 30 seconds later.

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NHL

Flames earn rare win at Boston

Sean Monahan scored Calgary's first goal at Boston in more than eight years, and the Flames earned their first road win against the Bruins since 2003 with a 4-3 shootout victory on Thursday night.

David Schlemko ended the shootout in the eighth round with a series of fakes on Boston goalie Tuukka Rask, as Schlemko tapped the puck into the net to clinch it.

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Canada seeking Davis revenge

Japan awaits. Raonic and Pospisil will feature this time for the Canucks after missing out through injury last time in 4-1 defeat

From left: Tatsuma Ito and Kei Nishikori from Japan and Canada's Milos Raonic and Vasek Pospisil pose ahead of their Davis Cup world group first round tie in Vancouver, March 6-8. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Martin Laurendeau's men were at a significant disadvantage the last time Canada met Japan in Davis Cup tennis.

With both Milos Raonic and Vasek Pospisil out injured, the overmatched Canadians fell 4-1 in Tokyo thanks in large part to the dominance of Kei Nishikori.

But a full roster and a home crowd has Laurendeau hoping for a much different result when the two countries meet for another best-of-five series in World Group first-round play at the University of British Columbia.

"All our guys are healthy," the Canadian captain said after Thursday's draw. "They're all playing well."

Canada beat Spain and Italy at the 5,000-seat Doug Mitchell Thunderbird Sports Centre back in the 2013 competition, making it to the semifinals.

"The fans have been fantastic here in Vancouver," added Laurendeau. "It's one of the reasons we're back. We can count on them. They do make a difference, and this court suits our big-hitting servers."

Ranked sixth in the world, Raonic will kick things off Friday in the first singles match against No. 85 Tatsuma Ito before Pospisil faces a tough test in Nishikori, who is fourth on the ATP Tour.

"I know I'm going to have my hands full. I'm definitely the underdog, there's no doubt about that," said 24-year-old Pospisil, who is ranked 62nd and will be playing in front of his hometown fans. "At the same time, I do think I can win.... It's going to be a tough, tough task, but I can do it."

Pospisil and Toronto's Daniel Nestor will team up against Go Soeda and Yasutaka Uchiyama in Saturday's doubles match before the tie returns to singles action on Sunday with Raonic versus Nishikori followed by Pospisil against Ito.

Teams can substitute players in and out up to an hour before matches. Laurendeau said he fully expects Nishikori to play in the doubles match, something he did when Japan beat Canada at the same stage of the competition 13 months ago. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Do something dramatic and decisive today but make sure you know what you are doing because the planets warn you could easily overreach yourself.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
If someone gives you a hard time today don't take it to heart. Most likely they need to let off steam and you happen to be the closest target.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
If you go to extremes today it will cause more problems than it solves, especially on the work front where you would be wise not to change routines you have grown used to.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Do you follow your instincts or your friends? You must answer that today. First, you need to decide what means the most to you: ambition or popularity.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Changes at work will move in your favour over the next few days, so be ready to take advantage of opportunities and don't feel too sorry for colleagues who fall out of favour.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
With the Sun and Pluto linking across favourable areas of your chart today it may seem you can't lose. But Pluto can be deceptive, so it might be wise not to push your luck.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
If the only way to get what you want is to reveal something about yourself that you would prefer to keep secret maybe you are on the wrong track.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
With the Sun energizing your ruler Pluto, you are the proverbial irresistible force. However, if you go too far now you may have to pay for it later.

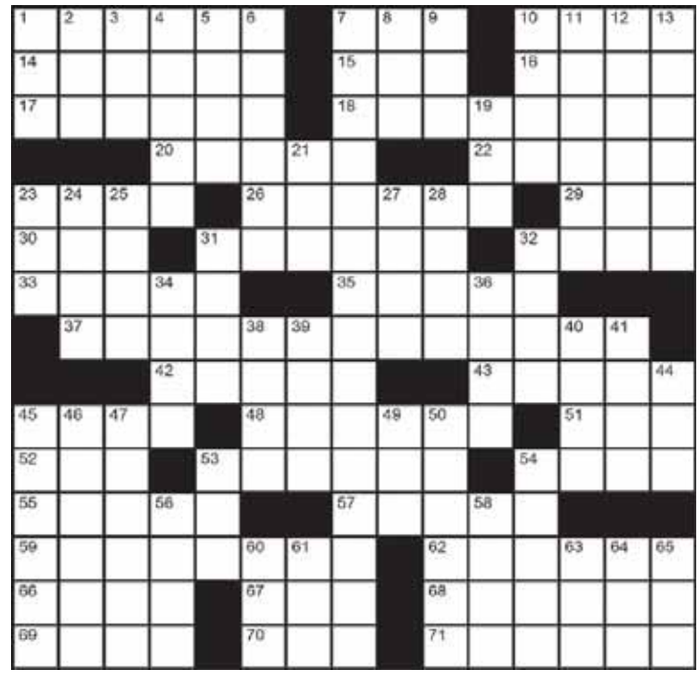
♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
The thing to keep in mind is that you have nothing to prove. Certain people will try to make you feel like a failure but the only real failures are those who never aim high or take risks.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You are in a positive mood and that's good because there is so much that needs to be done. But don't try to do it all in one go because even if you succeed you will exhaust yourself.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You want to do something one way but everyone else wants to do it another way. Just get on and do what you feel is right and most people will come round to your way of thinking.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
If you want to make changes, now is the time. No matter how laidback a Pisces you happen to be today's Sun-Pluto link will spur you into action.

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan



Across
1. Niagara Falls: A Poem, in Three __ by James K. Liston
7. __ Jones
10. MC __ Kat, Paula Abdul co-star
14. Green-on-copper
15. Numero __
16. Popular palindrome's parts
17. French for 'not me': 2 wds.
18. Namugenyi 'Nam' __, Canadian journalist who used to be a MuchMusic VJ
20. Bestow with a trait
22. Bubbly treats
23. Climax
26. Sandbanks
29. 'Chlor' completer
30. Camcorder-in-use butt.
31. Alberta hamlet near Red Deer
32. Some supermarkets
33. "Hurray!"
35. __ Mountains, in BC
37. Monopoly's 80th Anniversary! Props for the popular board game's mascot Mr. Monopoly: 4 wds.
42. Insects sci.
43. Burger slice
45. CBS' "The Talk" co-host Julie
48. Prince of Monaco
51. Sister
52. Attila the Who?
53. Celine's "The Prayer" duettist
54. Informality
55. Canadian pollster, Dr. __ Reid
57. Exclusive circle
59. Honoured as a 'Sir'
62. Toronto: Yonge-__ Square
66. Phoned
67. "__ the Dog" (1997)
68. Mythological mountain nymphs
69. Parisian 'souls'
70. "All bets __ off."
71. Dances, concert-pit-style

Down
1. Regime de Pensions du Canada ...what is its English acronym?
2. US motorists org.
3. Pre-daylight times [abbr.]
4. Wristwatch brand
5. "__, __, you noblest English." - Shakespeare
6. "Because I __ __!" (That's why!)
7. Prince William's title: 3 wds.
8. US covert maritime gr.
9. "Super!"
10. Trigonometry ratio
11. Coffee makers company
12. Ontario community between Sarnia and London
13. Joshes
19. Mr. Milne's
21. 1989 'Weird Al' Yankovic flick
23. 'Bound' suffix
24. Bog stuff
25. Repeat
27. Elvis' variant middle name
28. Starring part
31. Saint __, NB
32. "I'd consider __ __ honour..."
34. Candid
36. William Wallace, for one
38. Get _ __ (Sunbathe)
39. Stated
40. Singer Ms. Simone
41. 'Right' suffix
44. Navigator's dir.
45. One of the body's points of spiritual power
46. English actor Charlie
47. Google = Search __
49. 'Velvet' suffix
50. Unsystematic
53. Wood variety
54. Sea eagles, variantly
56. Australian boots
58. Overseas currency
60. Defunct airline
61. Bunny's one-of-two
63. Morse 'T'
64. Fruit drink
65. Stuck keyboard letter between 'A' and 'D'

Yesterday's Crossword

Online

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Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

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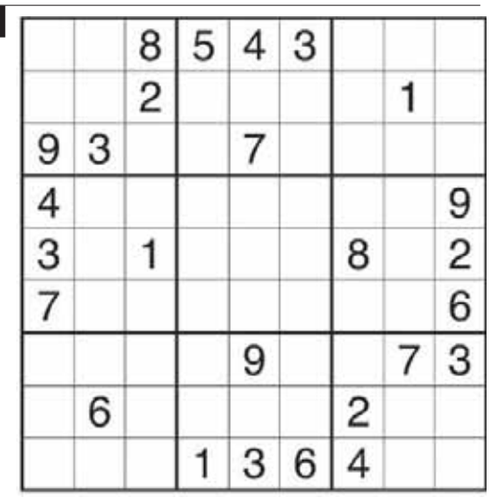

Yesterday's Sudoku

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7	5	8	2	4	9	6	3	1
2	6	9	3	1	7	4	5	8
1	4	3	8	6	5	9	7	2
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